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For: OPTICAL TRANSMITTER AND OPTICAL TRANSMITTING APPARATUS  
USING THE SAME

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRIORITY, RECEIPT OF PRIORITY  
DOCUMENT AND RETURN OF INITIALED PTO-1449 FORM**

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| Sir:

A Notice of Allowability was issued on November 10, 2004. However, the Notice of Allowability did not acknowledge the claim for priority and filing of the certified copy of the priority document, which was filed in the parent application Serial No. 09/247,809.

Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 Form with the application on February 11, 2002.

However, the Examiner has not yet returned an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form to indicate that the documents listed thereon were considered by the Examiner.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner officially acknowledges the claim for priority and initial and return a copy of the attached PTO-1449 Form filed February 11, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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